



Senate

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File No. 117

Senate Bill No. 256

Senate, March 25, 2014

The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. GERRATANA of the 6th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REVOLVING LOAN FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17a-224 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

3 The department may administer the residential facility revolving
4 loan program through (1) a purchase-of-service contract with any
5 state-wide private nonprofit housing development corporation [which]
6 that is organized for the purpose of expanding independent living
7 opportunities for persons with disabilities, or (2) a memorandum of
8 understanding with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority
9 established pursuant to section 8-244.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	17a-224
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PH *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) or the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA), a quasi-public agency, from having the option to enter into a memorandum of understanding under which CHFA would administer DDS' residential facility revolving loan program. CHFA currently has a similar program to the DDS program and therefore has the staff necessary to administer the DDS program.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis**SB 256*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES REVOLVING LOAN FUND.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill allows the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to enter a memorandum of understanding with the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority to administer DDS' residential facility revolving loan program.

Under the program, DDS makes loans to private nonprofit organizations for purchasing, building, and renovating community-based facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities or autism spectrum disorder. Existing law already allows DDS to administer the program through a contract with a state-wide private nonprofit housing development corporation organized for the purpose of expanding independent living opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2014

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 26 Nay 0 (03/10/2014)